



New students and their families were welcomed to Kendall Green Aug. 28 with a picnic at House One. The event also marked the beginning of undergraduate orientation.

## Northwest Campus holds convocation

New students in Gallaudet's School of Preparatory Studies were urged at an Aug. 22 academic convocation program to become a part of the Northwest Campus community and to take an active role in the learning process.

The ceremony, the first in the Northwest Campus' 11 years of operation, began with a procession of the school's faculty and professional staff dressed in full academic regalia. They were joined by Gallaudet President I. King Jordan and University vice presidents, deans, and directors.

Dr. Jordan welcomed the students to the Northwest Campus and added, "I hope to see each of you in your own cap and gown five years from now" at the University's commencement exercises.

"The word convocation means a gathering of community, so today we welcome you as members of our academic community," said School of Preparatory Studies Dean Ann Davidson. Greetings completed, Dr. Davidson then let the new preps know what was expected of them. "Many students feel that their teachers know everything and they will furnish them with learning. That is *not* indicative of the Northwest Campus community," said Davidson. "Don't sit placidly in class. . . . We expect you to take some responsibility for your own learning."

Dr. Jack Gannon, special assistant to the president for advocacy, was the keynote speaker for the convocation. He was introduced to the students by Vice President for Academic Affairs Roslyn Rosen, who noted Gannon's contributions to Gallaudet and to the deaf community, including his books *Deaf Heritage* and *The Week the World Heard Gallaudet*. She also pointed out that Gannon

and his wife Rosalyn, a sign language trainer in the Office of the Vice President for Pre-College Programs, began their higher education as preps at Gallaudet.

"We consider our prep year one of the most important of our lives at Gallaudet," Gannon told the students. He then pointed to the high academic caliber of the school. "Here, you will find some of the world's best educators of the deaf, and they are caring people."

However, said Gannon, "We don't make decisions for you." He advised the students to take advantage of the opportunities available to them at the Northwest Campus. "The first decision you have to make is to get involved in this community. Because your life is starting right here, right now. I wish you a tremendously rewarding academic experience during your years at Gallaudet. They will be wonderful if you choose to make them so."

Dr. Catherine Andersen, chair of Communication and Developmental Studies at the school and the University's Distinguished Faculty Member of the Year for 1994-95, described the diverse makeup of the campus, and how the students, as individuals, contribute to that diversity. She pointed out the importance of respecting individuality, regardless of racial and ethnic background or learning and communication modes.

"You will learn if you are willing to open your mind," said Andersen. "If you only respect those from similar backgrounds to your own, you won't learn anything."

The program ended with a presentation on the history and symbolism of academic regalia by Evon Black, student activities coordinator in the Office of Student Life at the Northwest Campus.

## Construction calls for parking changes

Parking on campus will be reconfigured this fall due to construction of the Sixth Street parking garage and ongoing work on the new Gallaudet University Conference Center (GUCC). But measures have been taken by the University to see that parking is as convenient, safe, and equitable as possible for campus commuters.

Dr. Bette Martin, special assistant to the president for institutional affairs and chair of the University Parking Committee (UPC), stated in a recent memo to the campus community that the construction projects will result in the temporary loss of 177 parking spaces. However, the University has made arrangements to recoup all but a few of the lost spaces.

Construction of the four-level, 360-space parking garage, slated to begin this fall, will result in the loss of parking spaces at the lot adjacent to the Transportation Building, the parking areas near the old tennis courts, and on Faculty Row.

Some additional spaces in the College Hall lot may be lost temporarily to accommodate a water line to service the GUCC and the new garage. Restoration of Chapel Hall will take away four metered spaces in front of the building.

To offset these losses, Gallaudet President I. King Jordan approved recommendations made by the UPC in five major areas: identifying alternative parking, determining how it will be allocated, expanding shuttle bus service to Union Station, changing the traffic pattern on campus, and parking enforcement.

Martin worked with Bernard Holt, manager of the Department of Safety and Security, and Fred Kendrick, director of Business Services, to identify possible options. When the UPC met, "our discussion focused on how to allocate the spaces fairly to ensure that faculty, staff, and students had the safest and most convenient parking possible," said Martin.

As a result, the University identified 158 replacement parking spaces, which became available Aug. 27.

For faculty and staff, 15 spaces in front of KDES that were formerly for metered parking have been converted to regular parking, 27 spaces have been added on Switzer Drive at KDES near the West Virginia Avenue gate; 10 formerly metered spaces along Telegraph Hill Road near MSSD have been converted to regular parking, and 53 on-street parking spaces have been added on Lincoln Circle. In addition, the lower level of the Field House garage has been designated for faculty and staff.

Students have been allocated the upper level of the KDES parking

garage, as well as the upper level of the Field House garage and its adjacent temporary lot.

In addition, 38 spaces open to all Gallaudet drivers have been added to the south end of the Sixth Street overflow lot. The overflow lot will be guarded round the clock from 6 a.m. Monday to 10 p.m. Friday.

To accommodate the new on-street spaces, traffic around Lincoln Circle has become one-way west from the Eighth Street gate to the Washburn Arts Building. From Washburn to the Eighth Street gate will be two way traffic.

In response to complaints about the shortage of handicapped parking spaces, the University has added more handicapped spaces in the lots near Hall Memorial Building. To ensure that these spaces are used by drivers who are entitled to them, illegal parking in a handicapped space continues to be a costly offense—\$100 for the first violation and \$200 and booting for subsequent offenses.

"Actually, some people will be able to park more conveniently" than before, said Martin. However, "others will have to find spaces in lots more distant than they are used to," she added.

Martin emphasized that the new parking spaces are intended to be temporary. Once all the construction is complete, the parking situation will be reviewed again, she said.

When the parking garage construction gets underway, the Sixth Street gate to campus will be closed and pedestrian access to the campus will be via a walkway just south of the garage construction site. The Print

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## Construction update

Returning faculty, staff, and students will notice that the crane is gone from the Gallaudet University Conference Center construction site, and the building's exterior is close to completion.

Over the summer, many campus moves and renovation projects have been completed—or are in the last stages of being completed—so that Kendall Green will be ready for student arrivals and the return of faculty this week. This includes exterior work on Fowler Hall, renovation of the Washburn Arts Building and Krug Hall, refurbishing of Dawes House and some MSSD classrooms and public space, and moves of Academic Affairs personnel, including the office of the vice president, to HMB.

*On the Green* will carry a complete construction update in its Sept. 12 issue.



## New faculty adjust to Gallaudet

From one perspective, new faculty at Gallaudet are entering a familiar environment—the classroom. But this time they are on the other side of the desk. For some new faculty coming to teach at Gallaudet, it means learning a new language and meeting deaf people for the first time.

For 10 new faculty members, the New Faculty Orientation (NFO) program this summer gave them a chance to adjust to Gallaudet before meeting their first students. And they have greeted the opportunity enthusiastically.

"The people I have worked with this summer have not only introduced me to American Sign Language and deaf culture but also to what a fun, supportive, friendly, and exciting place Gallaudet can be," said Dr. Suanne Epstein, a new assistant professor of sociology.

NFO this year included innovations such as an ASL buddy program in which faculty were paired with students at lunch to practice their new signing skills. But NFO Coordinator Charles A. Giansanti credits the success of this year's program to the people on campus who "put together all the little parts," such as ASL classes, tutoring, and lectures on deaf culture and on the University itself.

Four of the faculty had almost no sign skills when they arrived. These faculty began taking what one participant described as "sign language boot camp" on July 5. For eight weeks they took ASL classes in the mornings, then paired up with their ASL "buddies." They also took a course in ASL structure, also new to the NFO program, the first three weeks.

But NFO goes beyond learning

about ASL and deaf culture. For the first time this year, new faculty received training in teaching and communication strategies in the classroom. They attended lectures and participated in discussions on topics such as how to make their lectures more interesting to students, communicating course content effectively even with limited sign skills, enhancing visual accessibility, and maximizing classroom dynamics.

"Hearing people are generally audio based," said Giansanti, who also is an associate professor in the Chemistry Department. He observed that a lecturer can pass an object around a classroom of hearing students and expect them to listen to the lecture while studying the object. "But a deaf person can't look at the object and watch the lecture at the same time."

New faculty members also gave mock lectures in sign language—after watching second-year faculty, who were participating in a four-week program to learn more ASL skills, give their own mock lectures—and provided each other with feedback.

A fifth faculty member, assistant professor of foreign languages Ian Sutherland, had already taken sign language classes, but joined the ASL classes in the seventh week to brush up on his skills. Five other faculty members, already fluent in ASL, joined the other new faculty members for orientation to Gallaudet.

NFO is over, but life is just beginning for new faculty here. "I realize I have a long road in front of me," said Dr. Timothy Hanson, an assistant professor in the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science. "I am looking forward to cooperating with students in the fall."



A cloudburst cancelled the Child Development Center's Aug. 17 "Beach Day," so the youngsters stayed inside and made ice cream instead, with the help of counselor Bill Ferro.

## Announcements

The deadline for staff to register for sign language classes with the Department of Sign Communication has been extended to Sept. 7. Registration forms may be picked up in Room US21 of Merrill Learning Center. For more information, call Vienna Baches at x6018 or E-mail VMBACHES, or Agnes Sutcliffe, x6016, or E-mail ADSUTCLIFFE.

The Montgomery County Association of the Deaf, Inc., will host "The Price is Right" on Sept. 9, 7 p.m.-2 a.m., at the Gaithersburg (Md.) Marriott, 9751 Washingtonian Boulevard. Admission is \$20 per person in advance, \$25 per person at the door. For information, call (301) 540-4507.

The third annual Metro-Wide Picnic, sponsored by the American Athletic Association of the Deaf/World Games for the Deaf, Metro Washington Association of the Deaf, and the Metropolitan

Washington Deaf Community Center, will be held Sept. 17, noon-9 p.m., in Columbia at the Maryland School for the Deaf. Donations are \$2, which includes a chili lunch. Children under 12 will be admitted free. For information, call Janie Golightly, (301) 596-5555 (TTY) or Thomas Withrow, (301) 552-3810 (TTY).

The Baltimore Hebrew Congregation, 7401 Park Heights Ave., Baltimore, Md., will hold high holiday services with a sign language interpreter at 10 a.m. on Sept. 6 and 15. For information, call Rabbi Weiner, (410) 764-1587.

The D.C. Rape Crisis Center is seeking six people to fill seats on its Board of Directors. Deaf and hard of hearing people are encouraged to apply. For more information, call Denise Snyder, executive director, weekdays, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., (202) 328-1371 (TTY).

## Campus parking pattern altered

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Shop and the Transportation Building can also be reached by using the walkway.

The University has also added midday and evening service to the Union Station shuttle bus schedule, plus limited shuttle service on Saturdays.

Additional shuttle service, which started Aug. 29, is a one-year experiment, said Martin. Initially, the service will be provided at no cost to riders, and demand from the University community will

determine the schedule and whether the service is expanded or cut back.

The expanded schedule follows. Copies of the complete schedule are available at the Transportation Department and the Ely Center information desk. *(In all runs noted, the order of the bus stops are: College Hall, Hall Memorial Building and Benson Hall, KDES Circle, MSSD Circle, Sixth Street, and Union Station. Riders can take the bus back to campus from the front entrance to Union Station at the tour stop sign.)*

### Weekdays, midday

- 11:30 a.m., 11:32 a.m., 11:34 a.m., 11:36 a.m., 11:39 a.m., 11:50 a.m.
- noon, 12:02 p.m., 12:04 p.m., 12:06 p.m., 12:09 p.m., 12:20 p.m.
- 12:30 p.m., 12:32 p.m., 12:34 p.m., 12:36 p.m., 12:39 p.m., 12:50 p.m.
- 1 p.m., 1:02 p.m., 1:04 p.m., 1:06 p.m., 1:09 p.m., 1:20 p.m.
- 1:30 p.m., 1:32 p.m., 1:34 p.m., 1:36 p.m., 1:39 p.m., 1:50 p.m.

### Weekdays, evening

- 6:30 p.m., 6:32 p.m., 6:34 p.m., 6:36 p.m., 6:39 p.m., 6:50 p.m.
- 7 p.m., 7:02 p.m., 7:04 p.m., 7:06 p.m., 7:09 p.m., 7:20 p.m.
- 7:30 p.m., 7:32 p.m., 7:34 p.m., 7:36 p.m., 7:39 p.m., 7:50 p.m.
- 8 p.m., 8:02 p.m., 8:04 p.m., 8:06 p.m., 8:09 p.m., 8:20 p.m.
- 8:30 p.m., 8:32 p.m., 8:34 p.m., 8:36 p.m., 8:39 p.m., 8:50 p.m.

### Saturdays

Currently scheduled shuttle runs between Kendall Green and the Northwest Campus will add a stop at Union Station. Additionally, shuttles between Kendall Green (Field House) and Union Station will run at 2 p.m., 4 p.m., and 9 p.m.



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**WANTED:** Student or couple to share 4-BR house in Silver Spring, Md. Occupants interested in learning ASL. \$450/mo. incl. util. Call (202) 651-5306 (V).

**FOR RENT:** 1 BR in Alexandria, Va., to nonsmoker, grad. student or professional preferred, must love dogs, have own trans., avail. immediately, \$350/mo. plus 1/2 util. Call Jane, (703) 768-3818 or E-mail JNORMAN.

**FOR SALE:** Imagewriter II with cable for Macintosh, \$200. E-mail RLBOYD.

**WANTED:** 2- or 3-BR townhouse or apt., walking distance to Metro, to buy or rent by new Gallaudet faculty member. Call Tim Hanson, x5306.

**FOR RENT:** 1 BR w/priv. BA in Silver Spring, Md., condo. W/D, pool, spa, no pets, must have own trans., near Metro, one grad. student or professional female preferred, avail. Sept., \$350/mo. plus 1/2 elect. Call (301) 890-2435 (TTY).

**FOR RENT:** Apt. in walking distance to Kendall Green, 633 Orleans Place, upstairs unit, separate entrance, secure, new paint and carpeting, owner willing to accommodate deaf tenant. Call Ms. Gaither, (301) 774-9719 (V) and leave detailed message.

**WANTED:** 3-BR apt. in NW DC, Takoma Park, Md., or Silver Spring, Md., near bus/Metro, need immediately. Call Linda Lee, (202) 232-4431 (V).

**FOR RENT:** 2-BR apt. less than 1 block from Kendall Green. Call (301) 773-1710 (V/TTY) or (301) 322-7372 (V).

**FOR RENT:** 1 BR w/priv. bath in 2-BR apt. in Greenbelt/Seabrook, Md., to nonsmoker, pool and spa privileges, \$350/mo. incl. elec. Call (301) 595-8843 (V/TTY) after 6:30 p.m., or Jay at (301) 794-7067 (V/TTY) 9 a.m.-noon.

**FOR SALE:** 2 almost new steel belted P155/80R13 radial tires w/rims and jack kit, \$50. E-mail MMMORALES or call Margie (301) 236-9635 TTY after 6 p.m.

**FOR SALE:** 1991 VW Golf hatchback, good cond., blue, 44,400 miles, AC, stick shift, \$5,900/BO. E-mail JLCROFT or call (301) 434-2390 TTY.

**FOR RENT:** 1-BR condo in Fairfax Village off Pennsylvania Ave. in SE D.C., W/W, W/D, DW, CAC, patio, secure, \$485 plus elec. Call Vanessa, (301) 322-4628 (V).

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